Director Search

Space Science and Engineering Center

University of Wisconsin-Madison

The Space Science and Engineering Center (SSEC) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison is seeking a visionary leader to serve as its next director.

SSEC is seeking nominations and applications from individuals who can provide vision and leadership of a research center with a reputation for world class research, instrument development, and data analysis in the physical sciences. This individual will also be expected to establish short- and long-term research directions, maintain a high profile for SSEC’s activities—nationally and internationally—and maintain a robust funding portfolio. Other expectations include leading an engaged group of principal investigators and staff, and fostering development, outreach, and communications programs and goals. The successful candidate will have an established reputation in a relevant discipline and be eligible for tenure at UW-Madison at the full professor level. She or he will possess demonstrated experience in scientific leadership and managing a research-based organization.

About SSEC: SSEC is an internationally known research and development center at the UW-Madison. One of the largest centers at the university, SSEC is situated within the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Education.

With a history of remote sensing innovation spanning more than 50 years, SSEC develops and utilizes space-, aircraft- and ground-based instrumentation to collect and analyze observations of the Earth’s atmosphere, oceans, land surface, and other planetary atmospheres to improve our understanding of weather, climate, and atmospheric processes. Housed within SSEC is the Cooperative Institute for Meteorological Satellite Studies (CIMSS), a world-renowned satellite meteorology research center that is a collaboration with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s (NOAA) National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service.

SSEC is a leader in developing the algorithms and designing the ground and archive systems necessary to process atmospheric data collected from geostationary and polar-orbiting platforms. Its research breadth ranges from the study of new instrument technologies to data analysis, visualization, and product development, often in partnership with NOAA and NASA.

To Apply: Click on the “Apply Now” button in the position description. Applicants will be asked to provide a letter of interest, including a statement of qualifications relative to the position and reasons for applying; curriculum vitae; and a document listing three references, including name, title and affiliation, address, telephone number and email address.

For the full position description: http://go.wisc.edu/m003x9

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